



Dear Mr. Zakaria,

Last April, I sent you a letter concerning our unauthorized immigrants. Since then, we at Immigrant Tax Inquiry Group (ITIG) have refined our immigration reform plan, with the help of congressional staff input, and now we have a viable, compassionate solution by which immigrants can be welcomed into our society responsibly by tweaking our tax codes to accommodate them.

About half of them work and pay into Social Security and Medicare but will not receive benefits. This is a small price for them to pay for coming here illegally but it does not cover the costs of issues created, which leaves the financial burden on our citizens.

The other half work in the cash economy and have been a challenge for the IRS. The Individual Tax Identification Number (ITIN), created to allow income taxes to be paid, has instead encouraged a growing number of unauthorized immigrants to game the system and cost American taxpayers \$6 billion in 2015. This needs to stop and with a modest adjustment, it will.

Illegal immigration is sustained by the roughly 20 million Americans who want inexpensive help for their homes, businesses, services, farms and trades, while immigrants want to earn a living for themselves and their families in a safe environment. It's a relationship that benefits both parties, but American taxpayers pay the bill.

The ITIG Five + Five Plan, whereby both employers and unauthorized immigrants contribute a nickel for every dollar of immigrant wages earned, stipulates that the 10 percent of the \$2 trillion in illegal wages go toward healing many of our nation's most serious immigration problems.

Our website shows how much each state will receive and the benefits to immigrants and employers alike that will encourage participation.

This model for immigration is realistic and beneficial for all. Let's start the discussion on how we can afford to keep our current unauthorized immigrants here without fear of deportation and help them come out of the shadows safely and assimilate easily.

All the Best,

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